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SUBJECT: ADM MAININI VISIT TO WASHINGTON

REFS: A. ROME 2440 DTG 081222Z FEB 78; B. STATE 74621
DTG 230023Z MAR 78; C. USNATO 3007 DTG 221307Z MAR 78;
D. USNATO 3170 DTG 281434Z MAR 78

1. WE HAVE INFORMATION (REF D) THAT MAININI HAS NOT
CONSULTED WITH HIS IEPG COLLEAGUES REGARDING HIS
INTENDED WASHINGTON DISCUSSIONS. MAININI RECOGNIZED THE
IMPORTANCE OF SUCH PRIOR CONSULTATIONS WHEN HE PROPOSED
THIS VISIT, AND OF HIS OWN VOLITION COMMITTED HIMSELF
TO UNDERTAKE THESE CONSULTATIONS (REF A).

2. WE FULLY AGREE WITH THE NEED FOR HIM TO TOUCH BASE
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WITH OTHER IEPG MEMBERS. WE WOULD NOT WANT TO BE SEEN
IN OTHER IEPG QUARTERS AS ARRANGING OR CONDUCTING PRIVATE
OR SPECIAL US DISCUSSIONS WITH HIM IN HIS IEPG CHAIRMAN'S
ROLE. THE SUSPICIONS THAT MIGHT BE AROUSED WOULD
UNDERCUT THE US-CANADIAN COUNTER-PROPOSAL FOR THE TAD
(REF C), WHICH THE IEPG IS TO TAKE UP AT ITS NADS
MEETING IN ROME ON APRIL 3-4. THE FRENCH COULD BE

EXPECTED TO EXPLOIT SUCH SUSPICIONS IN AN EFFORT TO RALLY
OTHER IEPG MEMBERS TO OPPOSE OUR COUNTER-PROPOSAL.

3. THEREFORE, REQUEST YOU TAKE FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO
CONFIRM WITH MAININI THAT IEPG MEMBERS ARE APPRISED
OF UPCOMING VISIT. IF SUCH NOTIFICATION HAS IN FACT
NOT BEEN MADE, YOU SHOULD MAKE CLEAR OUR VIEW THAT
OTHER EUROPEAN MEMBERS SHOULD BE MADE FULLY AWARE OF
PROPOSED DISCUSSIONS HERE PRIOR TO HIS VISIT.

4. WE WILL INFORM CANADIAN EMBASSY HERE OF INTENDED
VISIT.

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